



**Boasting in the Cross vs. The Flesh (Galatians 6:11-18) - Freedom**  
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**What do you boast about?**

NOTICE WHAT LARGE LETTERS I USE AS I WRITE THESE CLOSING WORDS IN MY OWN HANDWRITING. **Galatians 6:11**

**Do you boast about things that make you look good?**

Those who are trying to force you to be circumcised want to look good to others. They don't want to be persecuted for teaching that the cross of Christ alone can save. **Galatians 6:12**

And even those who advocate circumcision don't keep the whole law themselves. They only want you to be circumcised so they can boast about it and claim you as their disciples. **Galatians 6:13**

## **Do you boast about how great Jesus is?**

As for me, may I never boast about anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. Because of that cross, my interest in this world has been crucified, and the world's interest in me has also died.

### **Galatians 6:14**

It doesn't matter whether we have been circumcised or not. What counts is whether we have been transformed into a new creation. **Galatians 6:15**

May God's peace and mercy be upon all who live by this principle; they are the new people of God.

### **Galatians 6:16**

From now on, don't let anyone trouble me with these things. For I bear on my body the scars that show I belong to Jesus. **Galatians 6:17**

Dear brothers and sisters, may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen. **Galatians 6:18**

## **This Week's [New Testament + Reading Plan:](#)**

1. *2 Corinthians 11*
2. *2 Corinthians 12*
3. *2 Corinthians 13*
4. *Luke 1*
5. *Luke 2*
6. *Malachi 4*
7. *Prayer & Reflection*